

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXEMPTIONS, DEDUCTIONS, ABATEMENTS AND CREDITS FOR REAL PROPERTY, EARNED INCOME TAX, NET PROFITS, MERCANTILE AND BUSINESS PRIVILEGE TAXES WITHIN A SPECIFIC GEOGRAPHIC AREA IN RUSH TOWNSHIP, CENTRE COUNTY DESIGNATED AS A PROPOSED KEYSTONE OPPORTUNITY EXPANSION ZONE ("KOEZ"), IN ORDER TO FOSTER ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES, STIMULATE INDUSTRIAL, COMMERCIAL, AND RESIDENTIAL IMPROVEMENTS AND PREVENT PHYSICAL AND INFRASTRUCTURE DETERIORATION WITHIN AREAS OF RUSH TOWNSHIP, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, UPON CERTAIN TERMS AND CONDITIONS.

WHEREAS, the Centre County Commissioners recognize the need to encourage investment in a defined geographical area of Rush Township, bounded as set forth in *Attachment 'A'* ("Proposed KOEZ") that is experiencing distress characterized by one or more of the following: high unemployment, low investment of new capital, blighted conditions, underutilized, obsolete or abandoned industrial commercial and residential structures, deteriorated tax base; and

WHEREAS, the Keystone Opportunity Zone, Keystone Opportunity Expansion Zone and Keystone Opportunity Improvement Zone Act (Act of October 6, 1998, P.L. 705, No. 92), as amended, hereinafter referred to as the "Act," authorizes political subdivisions to apply to the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) for designation of an area within the respective political

subdivision as a KOEZ granting exemptions, deductions, abatements or credits from all local taxes identified in the Act; and

WHEREAS, approval of benefits provided in the Act will result in improving the economic, physical, and social conditions within the Proposed KOEZ by stimulating existing businesses employment, creating new employment and diminishing blight; and

WHEREAS, it is expected that increased private and public-sector investors will reverse the disinvestment and conditions of blight within the Proposed KOEZ by the time of its termination; and

WHEREAS, the Proposed KOEZ is not less than ten acres but not more than 350 acres in the aggregate; and

WHEREAS, the Proposed KOEZ is comprised of parcels which are deteriorated, underutilized or unoccupied.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Centre County Commissioners that effective as of this date January 1, 2013, contingent only upon DCED's approval of the application for the proposed new KOEZ, the following provisions shall apply:

1. Real Property Tax on the Proposed KOEZ is 100% exempt in accordance with the provisions and limitations hereinafter set forth in accordance with the Act, such exemption to begin on January 1, 2013 and to terminate December 31, 2022.
2. Earned Income and Net Profits Taxes; Business Privilege and Mercantile Taxes. The Centre County Board of Commissioners also waives business gross receipts tax for operations conducted by a qualified business; earned income received by a resident and/or net profits of a qualified business received by a resident or nonresident of the Proposed KOEZ attributable to

business activity conducted with said zone and benefits to begin on January 1, 2013 and to terminate on December 31, 2022.

3. The provisions of the Act not herein enumerated, shall, nevertheless, be incorporated as part of this resolution by reference.
4. This resolution shall be effective upon execution, conditioned upon the approval of the application by DCED.

ENACTED by the Board of Commissioners of Centre County, Pennsylvania, this
1 day of May, 2012.

CENTRE COUNTY BOARD OF
COMMISSIONERS

ATTEST:

Timothy T. Bayda

Chairman

[Signature]

Vice-Chairman

Michael Pyzo
Commissioner

Attachment A

(need to include meets and bounds legal description along with any other documents submitted
as this attachment such as maps)